



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Howard J. Federoff *et al.* Art Unit : 1635  
Serial No. : 09/997,848 Examiner : K. Lacourciere  
Filed : November 29, 2001  
Title : HELPER VIRUS-FREE HERPESVIRUS AMPLICON PARTICLES AND USES  
THEREOF

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO ACTION OF FEBRUARY 25, 2004

In the Office communication of February 25, 2004, the Examiner stated that "[t]o be fully responsive [*sic.*] to the prior Office action, Applicant must elect a single species, as required by the prior Office action." The restriction requirement and Applicants' prior response were discussed by telephone (the participants were the undersigned and Examiner Lacourciere) on May 11, 2004. In view of the Office communication and the telephone conference, Applicants wish to elect a single species -- the species designated "(7) type of protein (claim 18-35, 53-55): a) receptor, signaling molecule, transcription factor, growth factor, apoptosis inhibitor, apoptosis promoter, DNA replication factor, enzyme, structural protein, neural protein, histone, immunomodulatory protein, tumor-specific antigen, antigen of an infectious agent, cytokine, costimulatory molecule, interleukin, interferon, chemokine, B7, CD40L, prostate specific antigen, virus, HIV, gp120, bacterium [*sic.*] or parasite, prostate specific antigen, bacterium or parasite, or a specific combination of the above" (Office action mailed June 10, 2003, at pages 3-4). Should it be necessary to also elect a protein within the species "type of protein," Applicants

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elect immunomodulatory protein. Elected claims 53-55 read on the elected species. The election is made without traverse.

Enclosed is a \$210.00 check in payment for the Petition for Extension of Time fee.  
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Respectfully submitted,

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